

**In the Specification:**

Please amend the paragraph on page 5, lines 4 and 5, as follows:

Figure 5 shows the compression bandage fitted to a lower leg ~~to a thigh~~ with a view onto the pairs of securing eyes;

Page 5, delete lines 7 and 8.

Please replace the paragraph on page 7, lines 1-9, with the following:

Figure 5 presents an illustrative embodiment in order to demonstrate a possible application of the compression bandage according to the invention. In a view of the front side, Figure 5 shows a bandage fitted to the lower leg. As can be seen in Figure 5 the tightening straps 8 and 9 are obliquely guided in the manner presented opposite in Figures 1 and 2, which means that the lower leg is subjected to a pulling effect of the tightening straps from the bottom rear to the top front.